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Dear Carrie

We got your letter to day and I will write some this eve. we got Lula to sleep right after supper. she gets up early was up about 6 this mornng. she slept in the bedroom last night with ~~Lula~~ <sup>Lame</sup>. Lame had a head last night; Jessie and Ray slept on the floor as they could nat nerry well sleep out here on the cat. The fellow that comes to see Lame is from Henderson his name is Bert Renner. that is all I know about him. I did nat see him as I had gone to bed before they came. Charley Dilly came with him Jessie said she had to entertane him. but they say he is green. Late would nat have anything to do with him. Jessies fellow marks in the store and could nat get away. I dont know how much longer Jessie is going to stay she is talking of going to Ranges to work they have gone over to see about it.



I got a letter from Anna Jennie to day.  
she says there is lots of hoaxes there but no real  
there was a wagon full of hoaxes for 25¢ they were 10¢ for  
boxed full for 25¢ they were 10¢ for.

for this eve if she dont go <sup>monday</sup> there she will  
go to Red Oak. she is trying to get Ray in  
some home where he can be in school  
she has been writing to different places but  
has not decided yet what she will do. I think  
when she gets him settled some place she intends  
to try to get work at the Institution. I dont  
know of any way to get Paula home until  
Lanie goes she said to day she thought she  
would go about the 11 of sept. I expect you  
will think that a long time for her to stay  
away from you but I think she will be  
perfectly contented to night after I undressed  
her she said she would like to see Mamma  
and June and Pappa and Greha and Walter  
and she would like to see Greha's doll. I  
never saw such a girl for dolls. I got Mrs  
Chels pattern to night and if we can get  
one made ~~for~~ without her knowing it  
I think we will and not wait until  
Christmas. Lanie has not made her wrapper  
yet she marked a piece and bailed it and put it



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out in the sun and it did not  
fade. she wanted to see if it would fade before  
she made it with a white yoke. she made her  
a white waist to day with a sailor collar.  
yes we got the pants and eyes all right -  
but I will have to wait untill the hair comes  
off again before I can put the eyes in.

I read your letter to Emma and she laughed  
about Emma ~~be~~ calling Bail. but she cant  
hardly understand about the letter business.  
I think you have had quite an experience with  
your lounge how will Ray get along without  
his little bed. We got a little catalogue of  
Montgomery Ward to <sup>day</sup> just a forerunner of the  
big one,, and there is a nice couch advertised  
for \$7.50. Jessie Hart said Maggie Cook  
took an old lounge upholstered it in  
velvet and made it look just like one  
of the nice couches, Lanie or I either one  
could not curl the front of Emmas hair  
so it would look nice and Lane braided.



the back, she has been real good she must  
lets better than she does at home, if she  
gets a little naughty I tell her that mamma said  
if she was not good for me to shut her in the  
bedroom and she will be real good, Louis & Gene  
too got back Chas Randy did not like her as she  
said she said she did not need a girl now and she  
could not stand to have a girl under she needed her.  
I must stop now as it is too late Sunday afternoon,  
I will finish this up now we all went to church this  
morning Eida said she wanted to stay to Sunday  
school, said she would go with the little girls and  
she went and sat with them but when I started back  
she got afraid and came away and I brought her home.  
I took her out to dinner this afternoon but she got sleepy  
and would not stay so I came home with her but  
Louis and Charles were both here and she got  
make up and, then went away, I thought Gene &  
Ray were going away tomorrow but I heard her say  
to day she was not going until Thursday, I am  
getting out of hand of having Ray here, we have a big  
watermelon for dinner, to day half of it was all we  
could eat, Louis too got her some green things  
this morning Eida got in my bed after I got up and  
hugged her up to me I thought she was cold but she talked  
away & asked her if she did not like me she said yes she  
liked me very much but she did not like to be  
gotten up, I made some grape pies yesterday -

Love Mamma